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Mail volume nears peak at J'town

"People of Jeffersontown this year seem to be giving more than they are receiving."

That was the comment of Acting Postmaster John S. Humphrey, Jr., in comparing the incoming and outgoing volume of Christmas mail so far this year with the totals for 1961.

Humphrey reported that at the close of business Monday, a total of 198 bags of parcel post already had been dispatched this year, one less bag than was sent out for the entire pre-Christmas season last year.

On the incoming side of the ledger, a total of 564 bags were received before Christmas, 1961, compared to the 423 bags received through Monday.

In the first class mail department, 121 bags had been received through Monday, the same number that was received prior to Christmas, 1961. In the first class mail department, 121 bags had been received through Monday, the same number that was received prior to Christmas, 1961.

The cancellation machine recorded a total of 487 through Monday with a week to go to surpass the 128,610 total for all of the 1961 pre-Christmas season.

Although the mail volume is running higher this year than last, only three clerical assistants are on duty in the office this year compared to seven last year. This does not include those assisting city and rural carriers.

The three are Mrs. Margaret Grubb, Mrs. Margaret Pound and Ed Head, the latter serving as carrier assistant.

Regular clerical staff members are Harry H. Spangler, assistant postmaster; Mrs. James L. Bowles, Mrs. Lillian Moody, Mrs. Myrtle Aligeter and Edgar L. Setz.

Six men are taking care of city deliveries. These include Robert L. Williams, Lloyd M. Roemele, John D. Pound, Jr., W.F. Wooten, Donald A. Stout and J. W. Pound.

The three rural routes are being served by Marshall N. Flores, Jr., Irvin M. Craft and Mrs. P. A. Gregg, the latter substituting for Lawrence Durr, who is ill. Assistant

Proposed zoo site brings on protests

Despite concerted opposition to the proposal Mayor William O. Cowger early this week remained firm on a proposal to establish the proposed Louisville Zoo in George Rogers Clark Park off Poplar Level Road.

Cowger said he felt the experts had given the city a good site and said he did not believe that the objectors could change his feelings on the matter unless they come up with some expert advice. The mayor's remarks came after a group of 900 residents of the park held an indignation meeting Sunday. They pointed out that they do not protest establishment of a zoo in Louisville, but felt that it should be set up elsewhere.

Plans to establish the attraction followed a proposal of J. G. Graham Brown, hotel owner, to donate \$1,500,000 to get the zoo started.

New Master

Melvin Mullins, 5943 Six Mile Lane, Buechel, is the new master of the Sunbelt Lodge of Masons. He and other officers were elected at the annual meeting last Tuesday night.



WORD GOT AROUND FAST that Santa Claus was in town, so the youngsters shown above lost no time in getting an audience with the affable old gentleman. The girls are Denise and Suzanne Gowin, 10701 Taylorsville Road, Jeffersontown. Santa will be in downtown Jeffersontown this Friday and Saturday afternoon to greet more of his young friends.

Around J'town

Jeffersontown Baptist No. 1 defeated Jeffersontown Christian 52-46 and Jeffersontown Baptist No. 2 won over Davis Memorial 60-44 in Monday night's play in the Church Basketball League. Dennis Kissinger was high for Baptist No. 1 with 24 points. Jim Hord of David Memorial led the scoring in the other game with 21.

Uninvited guests paid a visit to Newkirk's Drug Store, 10505 Waterson Trail Saturday night or early Sunday morning. County police found the front door jammed at 3 a.m. Sunday. W. T. Newkirk declined to say just what was taken, but said "it didn't amount to much".

Members of Girl Scout Troop No. 269 will hold their Christmas party at 7:30 p.m. Saturday. There will be a Christmas celebration in the Church School at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, followed by the 11 a.m. worship service when the Rev. M. R. Cosanzo, pastor, will speak on "Unto You".

The choir will present the cantata, "Christmas Songs of the Nations," at 4 p.m. Sunday. The Christmas Eve observance will be a candlelight service at 7:30 p.m. with the worship being led by the Westminister Group.

Stanley Spangler, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Spangler, 3608 Martin Drive, Jeffersontown, is one of 15 students who made the Honor Chemistry Class at the University of Louisville. The class is by invitation only and taught by Dr. Crawford. One hundred and fifteen freshman took the examination which along with past chemistry records determined eligibility. Stanley is a graduate of Eastern High School, Middletown.

Word was received this week from official sources that Jesse F. Hawkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick R. Hawkins, 5100 Palham Court, has been promoted to specialist fourth class in Germany where he is an aircraft mechanic with the 30th Transportation Company.

Hawkins, a 1960 graduate of Eastern High School, entered the Army in June of last year and arrived overseas in October, 1961. He will be 21 in January.

Kenneth A. Ackley, Jr., was to arrive home this week to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents on Waterson Trail. Ackley received a master degree in city planning at autumn quarter commencement exercises last Friday at Ohio State University, Columbus. He has been teaching in the Engineering Department there.

August F. Wilson, Jeffersontown insurance man, announced this week the merging of the Wilson Insurance Agency with the Hartman Insurance Agency, 2474 Bardstown Road. The merger is effective immediately.

Although its regular meeting day falls on Christmas Day, there will be no interruption because of the holiday by Recovery Inc. The group meets at 8 p.m. each Tuesday at 10011 Taylorsville Road. The public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Foreman, 7806 Ferndale Road, Fern Creek, are rejoicing over the arrival of a 9-pound, 5-ounce daughter. She has been named Linda Michele. Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ed Napier and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foreman.

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"Dick" Lyons elected chairman of Forest Hills

NOTICE

Because of the Christmas and New Year's holidays, the publication and delivery days of The Jeffersonian will be off schedule the next two weeks. As Christmas and New Year's falls on Tuesday, the normal make-up day, that procedure will be on Wednesday for the two week period. Consequently, copies of the paper will not reach the Post Office until Friday, a day later than usual.

However, the deadline for news and advertising copy will be moved back a few hours. Such material should reach our office by noon Wednesday of each week in order to insure publication that week.

An earlier submission of news and advertising copy will be greatly appreciated in order that staff members will be able to spend as much time as possible with their families.

"Optimism" is key word at club tree sale

Optimism was the key word this week for the Jeffersontown Optimist Club's annual Christmas Tree Sale at J'town Shopping Center. Preliminary reports indicated the project, begun last Saturday, was off to its most successful start ever.

Project Chairman H. E. "Skeeter" Davis issued an invitation to all area residents to visit the Jeffersontown Optimist tree sale first. "We know," he added, "that we have a kind of Christmas tree you want -- at the price you want to pay. And we also are certain our friends are aware of the high type of boys work and civic projects financed to a large extent, by the proceeds of this sale. Our optimism tells us the folks in this area will support us to the most successful sale in our history."

The sale will continue through Christmas Eve.

Clark Station home destroyed

Members of the Frank Black family were forced to seek refuge with neighbors early last Thursday as fire of undetermined origin destroyed their two-story home on Clark Station Road.

Black, a teacher at Eastern High School, said the blaze apparently started in a closet that adjoined a furnace flue. He and his wife and their five children fled in S below zero temperature with a small amount of clothing.

Chairman of the Board of Trustees for 1963 in the sixth class City of Forest Hills will be J. K. "Dick" Lyons.

He was elected at last Monday's meeting of the trustees to succeed Howard K. Weber. Weber will remain on the board, but declined to accept another term as chairman since he felt the position should be rotated.

The trustees then voted an unanimous note of appreciation to Weber for his "outstanding service to the community" in 1962. Lyons will move to the chairmanship January 1.

City Council defers action on rezoning

The Jeffersontown City Council postponed action on a recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Commission that the zoning classification of four tracts on Taylorsville Road and Eastview Ave. be changed from residential to commercial.

The change had been urged by the zoning group on condition that other area property also be rezoned with the view of straightening out the boundary lines. This is expected to be done at a subsequent meeting.

It also has been announced that the city administration has released Patrolman Bradley Alton as an economy measure. In the meantime, county police are assisting in the policing of the city.

In accepting his new position, Lyons said, "Forest Hills has progressed rapidly during the past year. Our drainage and road building projects are nearly complete.

"We are experiencing fewer traffic problems. Our tax collections are moving ahead nicely. With our new budget approved, garbage collection and fire protection contracts signed, long range planning progress and more and better services to our citizens coming up, 1963 should definitely be our greatest year."

Other trustees are R. B. Asch, Charles J. Koch and Carl Shook.

In other action, the board accepted "with extreme reluctance" the resignation of Mrs. Edward L. Badgett as city clerk. A successor will be named at the January meeting.

Continuing in office in Forest Hills are: Arch Mayer, police judge; John D. Cooper, Jr., city treasurer; Robert Somers, city engineer; William Treitz, city assessor; Jack Miller, marshal; Clarence Rhodes and Walter Flower, deputy marshals.

3 J'town girls attain rank of "Senior Scouts"



Linda Tingle Bonny Oliver Laurel Horton

For the first time in the 30-year history of Girl Scouting in Jeffersontown, three girls have attained the rank of "Senior Scouts."

The three are Linda Tingle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Tingle, 9509 Sue Helen Drive; Bonny Oliver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernie T. Oliver, 3507 Maple Road, and Laurel Horton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Horton, 3314 Dell Road.

All of the girls are 14 and are students at Eastern High School. Their troop is No. 262, sponsored by the Jeffersontown Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Horton, mother of one of the trio, is leader.

To attain the rank of a "Senior Scout," girls normally must earn 14 badges and a curved bar during their years as a Brownie, Intermediate and Junior. However, they need not go through the first stages of scouting to be eligible for the top award as the total number of required badges may be earned in make-up work.



"HERE'S HOPING THERE'S a letter from Santa" muses Mark Dobbs, 9716 Galene Drive, as he greets Postman Lloyd M. Roemele on his rounds in the Charlene Heights section of Jeffersontown. The camera shy young lady behind the tree is Lisa Thompson, 3205 Galene Court.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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St. M. can ill afford paralyzed traffic

This is the time of year when traffic is unusually heavy through St. Matthews, as it is most everywhere. With unrelenting help from the police, and the patience and courtesy of drivers toward one another, traffic eventually gets through, although slowly.

But there was nothing motorists or police could do last Saturday afternoon when St. Matthews experienced its worst traffic tie-up in quite some time. Traffic was paralyzed on westbound Shelbyville Road and all feeder streets north of the thoroughfare. There was nothing many motorists could do but find a place to park and wait.

The trouble started shortly after noon, when a slow moving freight train halted traffic for several minutes from the Chenoweth Lane crossing to and including Hubbards Lane. Just after the freight passed, a passenger train crawled through, still holding traffic at the crossings which caused traffic to clog up even more all outlying areas.

Mayor Bernard Bowling, somewhat frantic, called L & N officials to determine why trains were moving through at such a slow pace. He was told the trouble was a broken rail at Pennsylvania Avenue, some distance from the Chenoweth Lane crossing. The trains not only moved through the Chenoweth Lane crossing very slowly but started their "crawl" before they reached Hubbards Lane.

And to make matters worse, the trains began switching operations at the Chenoweth crossing during the even more halted traffic period, and again traffic was stalled several blocks.

It was unfortunate that these incidents had to, or did, occur at the time they did, for hundreds of motorists were taken undue advantage of. It was an experience most will remember for years to come. Of course, we are in no position to question whether the trains slowed slower than necessary. But it is certain that St. Matthews can ill afford such major traffic congestion during peak traffic conditions that Christmas brings on. It would appear that the train masters failed to fully understand the problem they were causing.

Mayor Bowling questioned the necessity of moving the trains through at such a slow pace, particularly where the local crossings were so far removed from the broken rail.

If the conditions were such that the trains had to move through slowly, then L & N officials could have notified the local police of the condition so preparations could have been made to lessen the difficulties.

The condition that occurred Saturday will hasten the day when the public will start clamoring for an overpass at Chenoweth Lane, where most traffic tie-ups occur.

Round one is won on reapportionment

Louisville and the suburbs have finally won their fight for a special session of the state legislature on reapportionment, after the issue was scheduled to go before a Federal District Court.

The fight is won up to a point. There is the task of getting the legislature and Governor Combs to come to grips with the problem.

Reapportionment has been a touchy question with the Governor, and rural legislatures can be expected to be most disagreeable toward any plan that will curtail their representation. As is known Kentucky politics, there remains much room for political chicanery, since a very hot race is shaping up for the Democratic nomination for governor.

If the special session is called for the purpose of reapportionment only, as it should be, there should be a minimum of trouble in reaching some kind of a satisfactory solution. But if Governor Combs wishes to introduce other matter for the legislators to decide, then the session could easily get bogged down.

For instance, Gov. Combs has indicated he will ask the legislature to move the primary election date for members of the General Assembly to August, while the governor's race will be decided in May. This could be a touchy problem, for there will be opposition to two primaries in one year.

If Gov. Combs is sincere in solving the problem of reapportionment, he will call a special session for that specific purpose.

Donnelly promoted on Okinawa

John P. Donnelly, Jr., 17, whose parents live at 2703 Hikes Lane, recently was promoted to private first class on Okinawa where he is a member of the 503d Infantry.

Donnelly is a rifleman in the Infantry Company A. He entered the Army in January of this year and received basic training at Fort Knox. Donnelly was last stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., and arrived overseas in July of this year.

He attended Seneca High School.

High Twelve Club elects Don Ransdell

Don Ransdell has been elected president of the High Twelve Club at St. Matthews. Other officers elected at the last regular meeting are:

Clinton Ang and David Cracelius, vice presidents; Henry Gerlach, secretary; Joe Welker, treasurer; William M. Wolff, sergeant at arms; Charles R. Melven, international representative; and Perry Meers and Luther Wetherby, chaplains.

40 YEARS AGO

Hegg-Owings

The wedding of Miss Luthera Owings and Rudolph L. Haag was solemnized at Cedar Creek, home of the bride's mother, on Taylorville Road with the Rev. Dr. R. J. Pirkey, pastor of West Broadway Baptist Church officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Haag planned to make their home in a new house under construction at Taylorville Road and Six Mile Lane.

Property sold

With a bid of \$2,250, the old school house and lot at Fern Creek was purchased by E. K. Miller, F. S. Hays and Harvey C. Hays at an auction sale conducted by the real estate firm of Miller and Hays. A new school building was expected to be ready for occupancy Feb. 1, 1963.

Lost rites held

Funeral services were held at Jeffersonton for Hazel T. Bridwell, 79, a Confederate veteran, who died at the home of his son, Clinton Bridwell, at Henderson, Ky. The elder Mr. Bridwell was a native of Jefferson County, having lived there prior to the Civil War. He was the last of a large family that was well known in this section of the county. A daughter, Mrs. Robert A. Hoke, a resident of the East, also survived.

Presentation

"Miss Molly," a two-act comedy drama, was presented at Okolona Hall under sponsorship of Okolona Chamber, Order of Eastern Star. Members of the cast were: A. T. Miller, Arthur Priest, Dr. and Mrs. D. A. Bates, Miss Evelyn Miller, Miss Corene Helm, Mrs. Ed Miller and Mrs. W. H. Beeler.

25 YEARS AGO

Bingham rites

A special train arrived from Baltimore, Md., bearing the body of Judge Robert Worth Bingham, U. S. ambassador to the Court of St. James and Louisville publisher.

Funeral services were held in Calvary Episcopal Church, followed by interment in Cave Hill Cemetery. Judge Bingham died in John Hopkins Hospital.

Among those attending the services were Sir Ronald Lindsay, British Ambassador to the U.S.; Marvyn McIntyre, secretary to President Franklin D. Roosevelt; Hugh L. Wilson, assistant secretary of state, and George T. Sumnerlin, chief of protocol.

Engagement

E. J. Whitehead, Jeffersonton, announced the engagement of his daughter, Miss Alice Whitehead, to Dr. W. C. Gettelinger. The wedding was planned for January 11 in St. Edward Church.

"Back home"

With repairs, renovations and refitting accomplished, members of the Jeffersonton Baptist Church planned to re-occupy their old church building that had been damaged by fire. Services had been held elsewhere since the March 21 blaze.

Wedding bells

The wedding of Miss Gladys Bishop and Dr. Gordon Green was solemnized at St. Matthews.

40, 25, 10, and 5 Years Ago

Looking Backward Through The Jeffersonian Files

5 YEARS AGO

The new half million dollar sewage disposal plant of the Jeffersonton Water & Sewerage Commission went into operation on Chenoweth Run near Taylorville and Rehl Roads, Work on the plant began in November, 1956, and was built to serve 7,500 homes. About 500 connections had been made when the plant went into operation. A. P. Bell, sanitation director for the City-County Health Department, described the plant as being "one of the most modern and complete in the county" at a meeting of the Jeffersonton Rotary Club. "This shows what a three-man commission with determination and zeal can do," he said.

Shenks - Cook

The Rev. Clyde Fouché, pastor of the Jeffersonton Presbyterian Church, officiated at the wedding of Miss Rosa Lena Shenks and Hubert E. Cook. Only members of the immediate families were in attendance. Mr. and Mrs. Cook were to make their home in Louisville.

10 YEARS AGO

Re-elected

Re-election of Billy Smith, Lyndon, as president of the Volunteer Fire Fighters, Co.-ordinating group of all Jeffersonton County volunteer fire departments, was announced.

Another officer renominated was Charles Rohmann, also of Lyndon, sergeant-at-arms. Newly elected officers were H. S. Coones, Camp Taylor, first vice president; Charles Cooper, Jeffersonton, second vice president, and John Kastner, St. Matthews, secretary-treasurer.

New residents

Three Jeffersonton area residents announced births of children. They were Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Hildebrandt and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Winsor, sons, and Mr. and Mrs. William L. Greaver, a daughter.

Special name

Serving aboard the USS Destroyer Sullivan was Ernest H. Clarke, radarman third class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oldham Jeffersonton.

The Sullivan was the first and only destroyer to bear a unique multiple title, having been named for the five Sullivan brothers who were killed in action aboard the USS Juneau in 1942.

Weddings

The wedding of Miss Geraldine Lydia Shackert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shackert, and Lieut. Jack R. Humphrey, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ernest T. Humphrey, Middletown, was solemnized in St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church with the Rev. Michael Bass officiating.

Adj. Gen. and Mrs. Jesse Lindsey, Frankfort, announced the marriage of her daughter, Mrs. Pardee Marshall, to Mr. Jesse Hall Simpson, Jr., in the Anchorage Presbyterian Church. The Rev. E. E. Houghton officiated.

Building dedicated

Dedication ceremonies for the new building of the Fairdale Volunteer Fire Department were held soon after members had fought a blaze in a vacant house on Blevens Cap Road. The building cost \$5,000 and was constructed largely with volunteer labor and housed a new pump that had been purchased the year before through community co-operation. Purchase of another pump was planned for 1963.

Invest in a healthy 1963, Fight TB with a contribution for Christmas Seals.

cond class.

Members of the troop presented Scoutmaster Irvin Graft a portable radio in appreciation of his work during the year.

Scoutmaster cited

Expressing appreciation of the work he had accomplished during 1957, H. C. Svara, scoutmaster of Troop No. 75, sponsored by the Jeffersonton Presbyterian Church, was presented a wrist watch by members of the troop.

Birth of son

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Von Ellis, Depot Road, Jeffersonton, announced the birth of a 5-pound, 11-ounce son in St. Joseph Infirmary. Mrs. Von Ellis was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Regenauer, Galene Drive.

Winter elected

Victor Winter, Kirby Lane, was elected vice president of the Jeffersonton Rotary Club by the board of directors. Winter succeeded S. H. Shaw who had been elevated to the presidency following the resignation of Edgar Holloway, resigned.

Massey named head of LREB

Election of Robert D. Massey, 3707 Glen Oak Drive, as president of the Louisville Real Estate Board has been announced. He and other officers were named at the annual meeting last Thursday. The others are Lemuel G. Baskett, C.A. Boyles, Jr., and Roscoe R. Dalton, vice presidents; John E. Skelton, corporate secretary, and Charles P. Thornberry, treasurer.

A report at the meeting showed that sales have broken all records this year. A total of 2,768 transactions in the first 11 months of 1962 involved in excess of \$40,000, 600 compared to the previous record volume of \$36,091,372 for all of 1958.

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